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SUBJ: ANGOLAN SITUATION

1. ON RETURN FROM TRIP TO FRANCE, PRESIDENT BONGO TOLD AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE FEB. 26 THAT MPLA SHOULD NOW MOVE TOWARD RECONCILIATION BY ABSORBING FNLA AND UNITA CADRES INTO GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNION. PRESIDENT ADDED THAT ORGANIZING GUERILLA WARFARE WOULD IN HIS VIEW BE A MISTAKE, AND SAID THAT DECISION BY GOG AND OTHERS TO RECOGNIZE MPLA REGIME HAD AS BASIC OBJECTIVE TO STOP FIGHTING IN ANGOLA.

2. IN SIDE CONVERSATION AT AIRPORT ARRIVAL CEREMONIES, ZAIRE AMBASSADOR TO GABON TOLD ME THAT GOZ HAS ALSO
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BEEN ADVISING FNLA AND UNITA AGAINST UNDERTAKING GUERILLA

OPERATIONS. AMBASSADOR SAID SUCH STRUGGLE COULD ONLY
RESULT IN NUMBER OF ADDITIONAL DEATHS AND ENCOURAGE
CUBAN TROOPS TO REMAIN IN ANGOLA, NEITHER OF WHICH WAS
DESIRABLE OBJECTIVE. STEIGMAN

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